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SUBJ: CCT COMPLAINT

REF: STATE 229878

1. IN LIGHT OF COMMENTS IN REFTEL I THINK IT WOULD BE POINTLESS
FOR ME TO TALK TO EDISON RUIZ, DIRECTOR OF MERCHANT MARINE
CONCERNING A WAIVER FOR CURRENT VOYAGE OF CCT VESSEL.

2. ONE OF TRANSNAVE'S TRUMP CARDS WOULD BE LOST BY GRANTING OF
WAIVER. BY NOT GRANTING WAIVER TRANSNAVE HOPES PICK UP LARGE
SHARE OF CCT CARGOES, AND I BELIEVE A STUDY OF U.S.
ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS IN THE PAST CAN SHOW GREAT RELUCTANCE ON
PART U.S. AGENCIES TAKE SPECIALIZED RETALIATORY ACTION FAVORING
ONE COMPANY. IN INSTANT CASE SINCE CCT NOT A U.S. FLAG COMPANY
IN SPITE OF U.S. EQUITY, I PERSONALLY BELIEVE LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE

REDRESS OPEN TO CCT LIMITED OR NON-EXISTENT. SUGGEST YOU READ
EL UNIVERSO ARTICLE OF TODAY.

2. TRANSNAVE CAN SHOW ECUADOREAN CARGO RESERVE LAW DOES NOT
DISCRIMINATE AGAINST U.S. FLAG AND THEREFORE U.S. OWNED
COMPANIES. MARAD HAS LONG BEMOANED FACT U.S. COMPANIES HAVE
SOUGHT FLAGS OF CONVENIENCE TO DETRIMENT U.S. MERCHANT MARINE
INDUSTRY AND NOW IT IS GOING TO BAT ON BEHALF OF ONE SUCH
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COMPANY.

3. DEPARTMENT HAS NOT CONVINCED ME YET WE HAVE BASIS FOR
APPLYING STRONG PRESSURES ON ECUADOREAN AUTHORITIES IN CCT CASE.

4. PLEASE INFORM ME WHAT ACTION I SHOULD TAKE VIZ-A-VIZ DIRECTOR
OF MERCHANT MARINE RUIZ, IF ANY.

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